Demands the Christian School

This training demands the Christian school. It is not simply the training of the ministry. It is that, but we have come to have a broader conception of the necessity of religious education. It is the function of the home and the school as well as of the church. The men and women who are thus to train the young must themselves be trained.

The Christian college, with its Christian ideals, teachers, students, is, apart from any distinctive teaching, the most effective agency we know for the molding of Christian character and making men and women positive forces in society. This, then, is our part: To furnish this Christian training for leadership in the broad sense of that term.

Negroes Sharing in the Task

But ought not the Negroes themselves to share in this task? They ought and they are doing it. It will be news to many that of the thirty schools for Negroes mentioned in the latest report of our Home Mission Society, only nine are owned by the Society, while all the others are owned and managed by Negro bodies in the several states, aided by small annual grants by the Society. Our own home mission schools are, of course, larger and better equipped, but these others are all of great value and power.

Our educational work for the Negroes is emphatically a work with them for their own betterment. We are more and more emphasizing this feature in our work with the Négroes. They are like many white people in this, that as long as we carry their burdens, they will allow us to do so. Our Society in every state where we have work with the Negroes is now insisting that the time has fully come when they should bear a large share of the burdens of that work, and they are responding to the appeals made.

"A Missionary University"

This, then, is our part: To provide for these millions of Negroes, and to stimulate them to provide for themselves, the Christian academy and college, which may do for them what our Christian schools have done and are doing for us.

A missionary university — that is what our Home Mission Society has established and is maintaining for Negroes in the South. This university has no precise location, unless we say that its headquarters are at the Home Mission Rooms, 312



A CHRISTIAN NEGRO FAMILY

"The Christian college is the most effective agency known for molding Christian character and making men and women positive forces in society." Its training inspires to the highest type of home and family life.

Fourth Avenue, New York, with Dr. H. L. Morehouse as its chancellor. It is composed of eleven colleges in nine states. Of these, three are owned by Negro Baptist conventions, namely, State University, Louisville, Ky.; Arkansas Baptist College, Little Rock, Ark.; Alabama Baptist University, Selma, Ala. These are aided by yearly grants from the Society and are under the supervision of the superintendent of education.

The remaining eight are owned and operated by the Society with the coöperation of the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society. Of these, four are co-educational, viz., Shaw University, Raleigh, N. C.; Benedict College, Columbia, S. C.; Jackson College, Jackson, Miss., and Bishop College, Marshall, Tex. Two are exclusively for women, Hartshorn Memorial College, Richmond, Va., and Spelman Seminary, Atlanta, Ga., and two for men, Virginia Union University, Richmond, Va., and Atlanta Baptist College, Atlanta, Ga.

"Scattered widely through the South"

Scattered thus widely through the South, drawing support and inspiration from a single source, alike in purpose, spirit, and results, these institutions may well be regarded as forming a